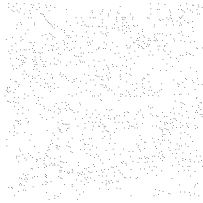


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From: Edwards, Kristine
Sent: Tue 8/11/2015 9:07:11 PM
Subject: FW: Progress Report for the Bullion Mine's Removal Action.
Bullion Mine Progress Report 080715.docx



Martin, my info on the pond's size is from Duc's contractor's progress report

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Sent: Monday, August 10, 2015 6:56 AM
To: Edwards, Kristine; Dennis Smith (Dennis.Smith2@CH2M.com); Thornborrow, Sonny -FS;
Sloan, Richard
Subject: RE: Progress Report for the Bullion Mine's Removal Action.

Good morning All,

Please find the attached progress report for the removal activities conducted at the Bullion Mine. As of to date, we have treated more than 1 million gallons of AMD water and are on schedule to prepare for open up the collapsed adit portal, which is tentatively scheduled on August 17, 2015. It could take a week or two to shore up the area and remove trees and overburden prior to open up the adit.

Overall, we are on the right track and will install all of preventative measures/best management practices to prevent a similar incident.

Thanks.

Duc Nguyen

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To: Dennis Smith (Dennis.Smith2@CH2M.com); Nguyen, Duc

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Subject: Animas river and mine blowout

If you google search Animas River, there are several stories about a mine blowout that released a million gallons of contaminated water to the Animas River, along with pictures. I'm so thankful

that we were able to get the project at the Bullion funded, and thereby avoid a similar disaster there. I was up at the site yesterday and Duc believes that the week after next, they should be able to begin work on removing the debris plug. Sludges will be removed to the extent possible prior to that and hauled to Luttrell. A channel will be installed to direct any remaining sludge flows to the treatment pond once the portal is opened up.

Have a great weekend!

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